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Team Framingham 2016 Fundraising Begins

Assistant Town Manager Jim Duane and Board of Selectmen Vice Chair Michael Bower today announced the Team Framingham 2016 fundraising has officially started.

21 of the 22 Team Framingham runners have already set up their fundraising web-pages on Crowdrise and First Giving. This year's fundraising kick-off is three weeks ahead of last year's fundraising program.

The six organizations selected to benefit from Team Framingham 2016 fundraising are as follows:

Art beCAUSE Breast Cancer Foundation (6 runners)
Framingham High School Foundation (8 runners)
Framingham History Center (2 runners)
Friends of the Callahan Senior Center (2 runners)
Resiliency for Life (2 runners)
Voices Against Violence (2 runners)

"The Team Framingham Boston Marathon program has been extraordinarily successful these past two years. Our Team Framingham runners have raised more than \$113,000 for local charities. 46 of our 47 Team Framingham runners have successfully completed the grueling 26.2 mile Boston Marathon course. We are looking forward to yet another successful program in 2016 benefitting six wonderful organizations," stated Selectman Bower.

The lucky runners selected by random selection will be expected to raise a minimum of \$1,500 for one of these six organizations, with a fundraising target goal of \$2,500. The selected runners have chosen the charity for which they wish to run, with a minimum of two runners per charity guaranteed.

Folks interested in learning more about our six charitable organizations or wishing to donate to our team runners and these wonderful charities can do so from the Town of Framingham web-site at the following link:

<u>List of Runners and Charity Biography Information</u>

Team Framingham fundraising will continue through the April 18th Boston Marathon and conclude on Tuesday May 31.

Inquiries or questions can be sent to MarathonBibs@framinghamma.gov.